110TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. RES. 35

To enhance intelligence oversight authority.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 5, 2007

Mr. Obey submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Rules

RESOLUTION

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- 1 Resolved, That in clause 4(a) of rule X of the Rules
- 2 of the House of Representatives, add the following new
- 3 paragraph at the end:
- 4 "(5)(A) There is established a Select Intelligence
- 5 Oversight Panel of the Committee on Appropriations
- 6 (hereinafter in this paragraph referred to as the 'select
- 7 panel'). The select panel shall be composed of not more
- 8 than 13 Members, Delegates, or the Resident Commis-
- 9 sioner appointed by the Speaker, of whom not more than
- 10 eight may be from the same political party. The select
- 11 panel shall include the chairman and ranking minority
- 12 member of the Committee on Appropriations, the chair-

- 1 man and ranking minority member of its Subcommittee
- 2 on Defense, six additional members of the Committee on
- 3 Appropriations, and three members of the Permanent Se-
- 4 lect Committee on Intelligence.
- 5 "(B) The Speaker shall designate one member of the
- 6 select panel as its chairman and one member as its rank-
- 7 ing minority member.
- 8 "(C) Each member on the select panel shall be treat-
- 9 ed as though a member of the Committee on Appropria-
- 10 tions for purposes of the select panel.
- 11 "(D) The select panel shall review and study on a
- 12 continuing basis budget requests for and execution of in-
- 13 telligence activities; make recommendations to relevant
- 14 subcommittees of the Committee on Appropriations; and,
- 15 on an annual basis, prepare a report to the Defense Sub-
- 16 committee of the Committee on Appropriations containing
- 17 budgetary and oversight observations and recommenda-
- 18 tions for use by such subcommittee in preparation of the
- 19 classified annex to the bill making appropriations for the
- 20 Department of Defense.
- 21 "(E) Rule XI shall apply to the select panel in the
- 22 same manner as a subcommittee (except for clause
- 23 2(m)(1)(B) of that rule).

- 1 "(F) A subpoena of the Committee on Appropriations
- 2 or its Subcommittee on Defense may specify terms of re-

3 turn to the select panel.".

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